

BLACK HILLS.

A correspondent of the *Silver State* writes as follows:

HAYWARD CITY, March 19, 1877.
Since my last affairs on Battle Creek have been at a standstill, owing to the stormy weather which prevailed from the latter part of February until a few days ago. The weather is pleasant now, but looks a little dubious. Several companies were nearly ready to start when the bad weather set in and knocked them out of time. Times are very hard here, and will be until Spring opens in earnest. Many of the claims on this creek are deep, and I doubt if thirty feet would strike bedrock in the deep st. Several quartz ledges have been struck in this vicinity lately. Some of them show free gold and are large, well defined ledges. We have no way of testing or at present, and consequently no one knows what it is worth. Hayward is not increasing in size nor population very fast. There is a good deal of work being done around here. Very few are working for wages; in fact, work for wages is rather hard to get, though not so hard as he pays. There have been several miner's meetings lately, some to pass or amend laws and others to settle mining disputes. The latter bring out a crop of bar-room lawyers, who quote laws that were never heard of, and expound them in a style that would make a police court shiver with shame. The victorious lawyer is rewarded with a few dollars and unlimited drinks; the other is left to hear remarks calculated to rattle his dignity. The Indians have not 40 other of any one in this vicinity nor stole any stock; but they have made it rather lively for stock near Deadwood, and have shot several men. Game is not very high; flour is \$12.50 per hundred, bacon 30 cents, sugar 30 cents, and butter 60 cents per pound. For fresh meat we have to depend on deer, elk and mountain sheep. We have to pay about 10 cents per pound for it; but there is very little to be had just now, as the animals have been hunted so much that they are scarce and shy. Bears are plentiful in the summer, but have not made their appearance yet. In my next I will endeavor to give you a general description of this part of the country. As some of the readers of the *Silver State* might wish to know how much it costs to get to this country, I send the following: From Cheyenne to Custer the stage fare is \$25; from Custer here \$8; from Custer to Deadwood \$15. A third class ticket from San Francisco to Omaha costs \$15. Cheyenne is the best point to fit out at present.

Religious Services.

DIVINE services will be held in the M. E. Church to-day, at 11 A. M. and at 7 P. M., also Sabbath school at 10 P. M. Rev. T. S. Uren officiating. Bishop Whitaker will preach at the Episcopal Church both morning and evening. At the morning service he will also administer the rite of confirmation to a class that has been prepared by the rector.

Divine services to-day at the Congregational Church, both morning and evening, Rev. C. H. Pope officiating. Sunday School as usual. Baptist services will be held at the Baptist Church this Sabbath morning and evening at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., Rev. Mr. Arnold, pastor.

Our "musicale" cottem. is studying Italian. He has been taking lessons in that accomplished language for three years, and has learned the meaning of only one word; but that word he knows as well as anybody—that is, he knows that *bar to* means a goat.

The opening of J. J. Becker's new saloon last night was a big success. Many partook of the lunch spread, and sampled the liquors. A crowd thronged the saloon all evening.

The low figures at which stocks are quoted, and the assessments now due, worry the boys exceedingly.

In the month between March 31 and April 3d the Grand Prize mine, at Tuscarora, shipped \$80,000 05.

The Bismarck difficulty is arranged. Bismarck consents to remain in office, and will content himself with a prolonged leave of absence in the Summer and Autumn.

CHAMBERLAIN left Washington Friday morning for South Carolina. He stated that he had concluded to hold on to his office and would not surrender it until ejected by civil process.

The official count of the vote of Cincinnati gives Moore (Republican candidate for Mayor) a majority of 1,684 over Johnston (Democrat).

RAINS AND CROPS.

The farmers of California were fearful that a drought which threatened would destroy their seed and ruin all hopes of a prosperous year. Nor were their fears groundless. The unprecedentedly dry Winter gave them abundant opportunity for them. But the clerk of the weather stepped in just at the nick of time, as usual, and gave them a rain that is worth millions to the State. Crops have revived, trees have regreened their leaves, and prosperity seems an assured fact. In the foothills the orchards are giving promise of a great yield of fruit. In the former home of the writer of this—Grass Valley—the fruit crop promises to be simply immense. C. R. Hill, the great orchardist, will this season have a great quantity of fruit to ship. Such is the testimony of all. The complaints of a month ago are changed to peals of rejoicing. Crops depend directly upon the rains. The late rains have saved the State from dearth another year. If the frosts behave themselves California will be a vast orchard.

S. P. R. R.

There is something really wonderful in the rapidity with which the Southern Pacific Railroad is being constructed. Its progress is like that which marked the building of the Overland railroad when the Central and Union Pacific were each trying to outdo the other. We read that five miles of track were laid last Wednesday, and but forty miles more were necessary to enable the locomotive to go sneezing to the banks of the Colorado river. The work will not stop there, for President Stanford says he will build 140 miles beyond before the end of the year. This southern road will open up a vast territory—will create States, develop mines, and but a short time will elapse till the route it traverses will be a continuous scene of life and activity.

DRUMMER LAW TO BE TESTED.—The constitutionality of the enactment known as "the Drummer Law," which was passed at the last session of the Legislature, is about to be tested in the Nevada Supreme Court. Able counsel have been retained by some of the leading mercantile houses of San Francisco, on a contingent fee of \$1,250. If the law is declared constitutional the counsel get nothing. Of the amount of the fee \$500 has already been subscribed, and the balance will be in a few days.

The semi annual Mormon Conference commenced Friday at St. George, Utah, Brigham Young and most of the prominent Mormons being in attendance.

The non-Mormons of the Territory will hold a mass-meeting on the 14th to arrange legislation for the coming special term of Congress, and parties will be sent from here to represent them.

LARRA D. FAIR, made notorious by her shooting of A. P. Crittenden in San Francisco some years ago, is again in trouble. This time she appears as defendant in a suit brought to recover \$2,250, alleged to be due a Mrs. Adams on some stock transactions, in which the fair Larra acted in the capacity of broker. Crookedness is charged.

SINCE President Hayes came into office two clerks have been kept busy at the White House briefing and indexing applications for and recommendations to office. Over 4,000 applications have been received by the President, exclusive of those received by the Vice-President.

THERE is hardly any doubt that the Benders—the real simon-pure Benders—have been caught this time. The persons were all arrested together and identified. The notorious Kate was found to have become the mother of two children since her flight from Kansas, and the whole family were more vicious than ever.

COLORADO has a substitute for the Grand Jury system. A Judge and two Justices of the Peace in each county meet twenty days before the regular term of court, hear testimony, for and against accused persons, and order their trial or discharge, as the evidence may seem to call for.

THE creditors of Erlanger & Hess held a meeting on the 5th instant at Ryno's restaurant, Virginia City, at which it was unanimously recommended to accept the proposed settlement of 82 cents on the dollar.

TELEGRAPHIC MELANGE.

MOST IMPORTANT ITEMS IN YESTERDAY'S DISPATCHES.

Telegraphic Rates.

New York, April 7.—President Orton of the Western Union Telegraph Co. said to a reporter, inquiring about the cutting of rates, that his company was not a public benefit society. It purposed to do a fair legitimate business. On Monday next the rates will be lowered to meet the reduction of the Atlantic and Pacific. After some comments on the published reports of the competing line, Mr. Orton said: "It is at present losing \$10,000 a day. Western Union prices are put down only to competing points, and the losses consequent to these are considerable." The reduction he estimated to be about 25 per cent of those of the Atlantic and Pacific Co.

Great Base Ball Match—Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.—A number of the sporting fraternity assembled last night at the Lick House on the occasion of the pool-selling on the great base ball match to take place to-morrow at Virginia City, between the telegraphers and printers of that city. Much interest is manifested in the result, and the betting was quite lively. At the opening the pools sold as follows: Telegraphers, \$100; typos, \$75. Later in the evening a dispatch was received from Virginia stating that McCoy, the celebrated pitcher of the "Telegraphers' Club," had sprained his arm and would be unable to play. The betting immediately flipped round in favor of the Typos, and the pools sold—Typos, \$150; Telegraphers, \$50. Should McCoy be unable to play, it is rumored that J. F. Fitzpatrick, a rising young politician and ex telegrapher, will act as pitcher for the Telegraphers. Outside bets of \$75 to \$5 were freely offered that Donnelly would make a home run, with no takers. Even bets were offered and taken that Murphy would not hit the ball during the game. The Western Union Telegraph Company have arranged to have an operator on the ground and the result of each inning will be telegraphed to this city.

It is reported that strong opposition is formed among leading citizens to defeat the election of a certain member of the Stock Board who aspires to Congress.

The Spring Valley Water Company yesterday afternoon notified the Mayor that the water was shut off from the Branch Jail and fire alarm office by accident in trying to again shut it off from the plaza. It has since been restored.

The California Mining Company has declared the regular monthly dividend of two dollars, payable on the sixteenth instant.

The New York Explosion.

New York, April 7.—Charles H. Jewett called last night at the residence of J. A. Dean and informed N. L. Russell, a relative of the latter, that Orville S. Jewett had undoubtedly committed suicide. This fact was imparted to Charles H. Jewett by Charles Taintor, managing clerk, who told him that on Tuesday afternoon, the moment the explosion occurred, he, Taintor, was in the middle office, in full view of the private office. He heard George W. Jewett call him, and he at once entered the room, and when the smoke had partially cleared he saw Orville D. Jewett lying on the body of George W. Jewett. Orville had a Sharp's pistol to his breast and fired four shots in rapid succession. He then rolled from the body of his uncle and lay writhing on the floor near it. Taintor then ran down stairs and raised a cry of alarm, and subsequently went to Staten Island to acquaint the elder Jewett's family.

Likely to be Recognized.

NEW ORLEANS, April 7.—The commissioners appear to be hopeful of bringing about a settlement by means of a united Legislature, in spite of Packard's refusal yesterday of that proposition. The meetings of the commission have thus far been private, but they will be open to the public when they get fairly to work. They expect to finish in ten days. The impression prevails that Nicola's will be recognized.

A Strike Expected.

LONDON, April 7.—The Lancashire cotton-spinners have obtained the sanction of the executive committee to give notice to quit work within a fortnight if it is considered advisable. The spinners say they are resolved to exhaust every conciliatory resource before proceeding to that extremity.

The Railroads Agree.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The managers of the New York Central, Erie, Pennsylvania, and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads have agreed to advance the rates for special limited tickets to the following figures, taking effect Monday next: From New York to Cleveland \$11. Detroit \$13, Toledo \$14 25, Chicago \$20, St. Louis \$24, Kansas City \$35. Indianapolis \$19, Cincinnati \$18; from Albany \$1 less than from New York, and from Boston by all routes a dollar more than from New York. The same figures will also be adopted for east bound passengers.

Oakey Hall.

New York, April 7.—Blanche Grey, the actress, is admitted to perfectly answer the description of the woman said to be living at the same house with Oakey Hall in London, and there is little doubt of her identity. She is of English birth and was an intimate friend of Hall's here before going to Europe, suddenly, about six weeks ago.

It is now asserted that Hall left \$70,000 in real estate behind him; also that he has abundant other means, and that the story of poverty is only a blind.

Not Satisfied.

New York, April 7.—The settlement between the heirs of Vanderbilt has again been brought up, on account of difference between Wm. H. and Cornelius J. Vanderbilt. All of the heirs, with the exception of Cornelius, had agreed to accept \$1,000,000, and William H. had agreed to a settlement on this basis. Cornelius J., however, made a claim of \$2,000,000, and his sister, Mrs. Lafatit, refused to make any settlement until Cornelius J. was satisfied. Meanwhile the will has been admitted to probate.

Tweed's Dilemma.

New York, April 7.—The delay in Tweed's release is caused solely by his failure to turn over vouchers and other documents revealing the names of public men who received ring money, and showing the amounts paid to them. These men strenuously urge him to observe the rule of honor among thieves, but it is believed he will be compelled to surrender everything as originally agreed, because otherwise his own release will not be consummated.

O'Leary Ahead.

LONDON, April 7.—At 12:50 last Monday O'Leary and Weston began their walk of six days for \$5,000 a side at Agricultural Hall, Islington. At 2:50 this afternoon O'Leary had completed 500 miles. Weston was then 23 miles behind. The walk will be finished at midnight.

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